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RESTRICTIONS NECESSARY.

The Standard Oil Company has purchased another lot at the foot of Sixth street, ostensibly for the purpose of erecting oil storage tanks thereon.

The time has come in Astoria when the common council should take cognizance of these facts, and prohibit the erection of coal oil and gasoline tanks within the city limits.

Astoria has been very fortunate in the matter of fires, but the time will come some day when a disastrous fire will occur in the district where the Standard Oil Company's plant is located.

A GROWING EVIL.

Astoria is what is called "an open town." That is, that certain vices are allowed to exist by sufferance of the officers whose duty it is to enforce the laws.

Some time ago, an ordinance was introduced in the common council raising the license from \$25 a quarter to \$50 a quarter.

opening of the doors on Sunday. While a vaudeville theater affords a place of amusement for a certain class of people, yet they are no benefit to the city.

Another matter to be taken into consideration is, that these institutions while their receipts are large, the bulk of it goes out the city. They are not assessed for state or county taxes, and are no direct benefit to the community.

The Astorian will insist that the license be raised and that all theaters be prohibited from opening their doors on Sunday.

The Ministerial Association of St. Louis has adopted resolutions, to affiliate with the Portland Ministerial Association, to close the Lewis and Clark fair on Sundays.

With all due respect for the St. Louis divines, it does seem as though the matter of Sunday closing ought to be left to the committee.

It is possible that an error has been committed in these brief statements, but restrictions as to Sunday observances should not be permitted to interfere with the Lewis and Clark fair, unless they are equally applied to all forms of amusements.

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ments are always a drawing card to the churches, and sacred concerts in the fair grounds may also be conducive to the soul's salvation.

The democrats are trying to sympathize with Roosevelt for fear the pie will run short with such a large number of office-seekers.

A Chicago murderer was caught while fleeing by reason of the brick red necktie which he wore.

Harry Payne Whitney has hired a jockey to ride his horse for \$20,000 per. An esteemed contemporary observes that a whole corps of college professors could be hired for that.

It is thought that St. Louis will fail to realize the magnitude of her world's fair achievement until the exact number of millions of deficit is footed up.

Grover Cleveland should be ashamed of himself in keeping us in such suspense—nearly a month has passed since it happened, but not a word from him as to how it was done.

With Mexico and China both trying to adopt the gold standard there was but little left for which the populists could give thanks.

Nan Patterson seems to be depending more on her winsome looks and jury winks than she is on the defense of her lawyers.

"Crooked" ways are so popular in New York that car-conductors are issuing expired transfers to their passengers.

The football teams have piled up such big surpluses in their treasuries that it is feared they will get into the hands of the trusts.

The Flycatcher.

There is a bird that catches flies, did you know that? When he is hungry he keeps very quiet in some favored spot, and his quick eye notes the track of the insect for a moment or two.

The Mariner's Friend.

Of all the weatherwise fish the dolphin is the most remarkable. During a fierce gale or storm at sea the mariner knows that the end of it is near if he can see a dolphin or a number of that fish sporting on the high sea waves.

Johnny's Joke.



Johnny, with a jagged brick, Made a poor policeman sick, Killed a fly upon his ear— Johnny's such a little dear!

Found Out the Difference.

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Familiar Example.

"Now, little boys," said the Sunday school superintendent, "I want you to tell me what faith is."

Easily Parted.

"He's quite bald, I understand." "Almost. He has just two wisps of hair left." "Indeed?" "Yes, and he calls one 'the fool' and the other 'his money.'"—Philadelphia Ledger.

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POOR BENSON.

He's Sorry Now That He Mentioned the Ham at All.

Mr. Benson declares that hereafter he is going to tell the straight truth, no matter how badly it may hurt the other fellow.

Benson surveyed his well stocked commissariat with pangs of incipient dyspepsia. The prospect of dining alone on cold viands and boiled potatoes offered but few more attractions than a course in public eating houses.

The next day when writing from Boston Mrs. Benson appended a postscript to her six page letter.

In her next letter Mrs. Benson asked: "Have you any ham left?"

On the twelfth day after Mrs. Benson's departure Benson received an express package from Boston.

Her Edict.



Guest—Madame, I'm thinking of putting up at your house. Landlady (grin)—Yes, sir; in advance.—New York Evening Journal.

Disinfect Farm Buildings.

Very few farmers appreciate the importance of disinfecting farm buildings, lots, etc. It costs very little to prepare or buy a solution already prepared and sprinkle it over the walls of the henhouse, the stalls of the barn and the lots where the animals are kept continually.

Profit in Swine.

Stock boars two to three years old are the best. Good brood sows should be kept for years, says American Agriculturist.

Wideawake Farmers Succeeded.

Up to date men who are wide awake, well educated and willing to take advantage of every natural and artificial aid will succeed and make money on the farm.—Farm and Ranch.

Notice to Stockholders.

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Columbia River Packers Association will be held at the offices of the company at Astoria, Oregon, on December 12th, 1904, at 11 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of electing Directors, and the transaction of such other business as may properly be considered.

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